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	)	**Vargot, Mathieu D.**
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PREHEATING RAW TIRE	)	
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 16, 2007 and the telephone interview with the Examiner conducted on January 14, 2008, the period for response to which is set to expire on January 16, 2008, with a three-month extension filed herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as follows: